

The following fatwa is found on the Official Website of Grand Ayatollah Muhammad Shahroudi.

Question 51: "My Habibi, my question is regarding the cursing that is found in the Dua's of the Ziyarat of Ashura, and I talk in particular about the cursing of: the First (Abu Bakr), the Second (Umar), the Third (Uthman). Is it part of the Ziyarat and has it been reported by the Infallible (a.s)? Or has it been rejected? And did the Imams from Ahl al-Bayt allow the cursing of these three and did they say the person who does it is rewarded?"

Answer: "Yes, cursing is permissible in the Ziyarat of Ashura. Repeat it hundreds of times. It has been reported that the Imams cursed and this was not just the cursing of the oppressors of Ashura, but repeatedly (others as well). And this is found in a lot of similar Hadiths. And yes, the cursing must not be done in a matter to reveal the Taqiyyah".

Note how the Grand Ayatollah allows the cursing but in such a way as not to reveal the Taqiyyah (hiding beliefs) in front of the Sunni masses.

The most famous Shia of the 20th century, Khomeini says: "They, Abu Bakr and Umar had nothing to do with Islam and Quran, except to seize worldly power, and had been using the Quran as a smoke-screen to fulfill their evil intentions" (Kashful Asraar).

What is the ruling on the one who curses the Sahaabah

It was mentioned to Imam Malik that the Shia curse the Sahaabah. So he recited the verse, "Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah and those with him are harsh with the disbelievers and gentle among themselves. So that the disbelievers may become enraged with them" (48:29). He then said, "Whoever becomes enraged when the Sahaabah are mentioned is the one about whom the verse speaks" (Tafseer al-Qurtubi).

Why do the Shia curse the Sahaabah?

Allah, the Most High chose the Sahaabah to convey all of His religion from the noble Prophet (salalahu alaihi wa sallam) to us. They are ones who compiled, preserved and transmitted the Quran. Likewise they preserved the Prophet's Sunnah. Hence in order to destroy Islam, one only needs to cast doubt on the integrity of the Sahaabah. This is exactly what the Yemeni Jew, Abdullah ibn Saba-the founding father of the Shia, and his followers from the Zoroastrians did in their attempt to destroy this noble religion.

Don't be fooled by the political rhetoric of today's Shia. Judge them by their beliefs.



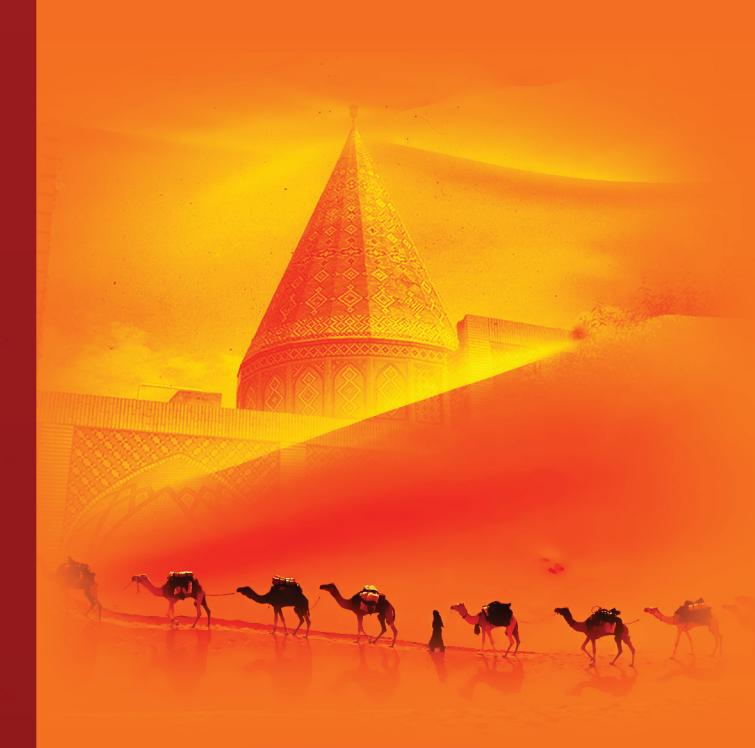
The shrine of Abu Lulu, the murderer of Umar al Farooq, which is located in the Iranian city of Kashan. The Shia venerate Abu Lulu, and they call him "Honored Defender of Religion".

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The virtues of the Sahaabah

One of the fundamental beliefs of Ahlus Sunnah wal Jama`ah that distinguishes them from heretics is their belief in the Companions of the Prophet (salalahu alaihi wa sallam) and all that has been mentioned in the Qur'an and Sunnah about their virtues, merits and characteristics. The Companions are praised in many Qur'anic verses:

"And the first to embrace Islam of the Muhajiroon (the Emigrants from Makkah) and the Ansar (the citizens of Al-Madeenah who helped the Muhajiroon) and also those who followed them exactly (in Faith). Allah is well-pleased with them as they are well pleased with Him. He has prepared for them Gardens under which rivers flow, to dwell therein forever. That is the supreme success." [9:100]

The Prophet (salalahu alaihi wa sallam) said: **"Do not abuse my Companions, for if any of you were to spend gold equal to (mountain of) Uhud in charity, it would not equal a handful of one of them or even half of that."** [Al-Bukharee, Muslim].

And he said, **"Whoever abuses my Companions, upon them is the curse of Allah, the angels and all the people"** [Saheeh, At-Tabaranee].

The Shia declare the Sahaabah to be disbelievers

According to Shia, the vast majority of the Sahaabah were liars and apostates. One of the leading scholars of the Shia, al-Kashshi, reported that Abu Ja`far said: **"The people all became postates after the Prophet's death except for three."** When asked who they were, he replied, **"Al-Miqdad ibn Aswad, Abu Dharr, and Salman, as mentioned in the verse, 'If he (Muhammad) dies or is killed, will you then turn on your heels.'** (Rijal al-Kashshi pp12-13).

Mullah Baqir Majlisi is a renowned scholar among the Shia clergy. They have given him the title, the seal of the hadith scholars. Khomeini has praised and recommended his writings.

Mullah Baqir Majlisi says: **"We believe that we should seek disassociation from four idols namely, Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman and Mu'awiyah; from four women namely, Ayesha, Hafsa, Hind and Ummul Hakam, along with all their associates and followers. These are the worst creation of Allah. It is not possible to believe in Allah, His Messenger and the Imams without disassociating oneself from their enemies."** (Haqqul Yaqeen: 2:519).

The book "Al-Kafi fil-Usool, is a collection of hadith falsely attributed to the Prophet and some of the Shia Imams. It is held in the same esteem amongst the Shia in the same way that Sahih Bukhari is held amongst Muslims. In this book we find the following 'hadith': **"Whoever sets up another Imam besides 'Ali and delays 'Ali's caliphate is a polytheist"** (Al Kafi vol.10)

This "hadith" refers to everyone who accepts the validity of the khulafa-rashideen. The Shia claim that the caliphate was stolen from 'Ali, and only he and his descendants have the right to rule the Muslims.

Cursing the Rightly Guided Caliphs

Mullah Baqir Majlisi also writes: **"One should say after each prayer: O Allah! Curse Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman, Mu'awiyah, Ayesha, Hafsa, Hind and Ummul Hakam".** (Aynul Hayat: 599). The Shias have never been able to explain why Ali named three of three of his eighteen sons as Abu Bakr, Umar, and Uthman. Out of the hundreds of names he could have chosen, he chose these three blessed names. This fact is recorded by the classical Shia scholar, Shaikh Mufid, in "Kitab al-Irshad", pp. 268-269, where these three sons of Ali are listed as numbers 12, 6 and 10 respectively. This shatters the very basis of Shi'ism which is centered around the supposed oppression of the Ahlel Bayt at the hands of the Sahaabah.

Celebrating the death of Umar al Farooq

The Prophet (salalahu alaihi wa sallam) said: **"If there were to be a prophet after me it would be Umar ibn al-Khattab"** (Tirmidhi). On the other hand, Mullah Baqir Majlisi mentions in Zadul Ma`ad that the significance and excellence of the 9th Rabiul Awwal is because **"Umar, the enemy of Rasulullah and the enemy**

of the Ahle Bait" was killed on this date. The Shia actually have a shrine erected for this pagan murderer.

Slander against the Prophet's wives

Mullah Baqir Majlisi, in his book, Hayatul Quloob - one of the most authoritative books of the Shia religion alleges: **"Aishah and Hafsa martyred Rasulullah by giving him poison"**. (Vol. 2, page 870) and: "Thus these two male munafiqs (referring to Abu Bakr and Umar) and those two female munafiqs (referring to Aishah and Hafsa) agreed to martyr Rasulullah by administering poison to him". (Vol. 2, page 745).

Their du'a against the Companions

The Shias have a special dua, called "Dua Sanamay Quraysh" (the two Idols of the Quraysh) against the beloved Companions of Allah's Messenger (salalahu alaihi wa sallam). Here is a portion from this cursed dua which was approved by Khomeini in the book, Tuhfat Al-Owam Maqbool, as well as by a number of contemporary Shia scholars.

"O Allah, sal ala Muhammed wa ala aal Muhammed and curse the two idols of Quraysh (Abu Bakr and Umar), its (Quraysh's) two sorcerers, its two tyrants, its two liars, and their two daughters (Aysa and Hafsa) who (i.e Abu Bakr and Umar) disagreed with your order, denied your revelation, rejected your goodness, disobeyed your messenger, altered your religion, tampered with your Book, loved your enemy, rejected your lovers, suspended your verdicts, invalidated your orders, did not believe in your proves, antagonized your lovers, patronized your foes, ruined your country, and corrupted your slaves, O' Allah curse them both, their followers, their lovers, their people, their adherents, their partisans, their disciples

The present-day Shia

So do our present-day Shia really believe in these books and curse the Sahaabah? Simply typing the word "Shia" into YouTube will bring forth many videos of current Shia scholars from around the world cursing the noble companions and the wives of the Prophet (salalahu alaihi wa sallam).